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Using of Hybrid Data Acquisition Technique for Cultural Heritage a Case Study of Pompeiopolis

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ABSTRACT

Various studies have been carried out on the documentation of cultural heritage with different methods. The correct data collection method is as important as the selection of the method to be used in the studies. Documentation studies focus on saving time and cost rather than data collection methods. However, obtaining accurate and complete data increases the accuracy of the documentation work. At this point, image-based documentation studies such as photogrammetry provide important contributions to operators. Although a single data collection tool is preferred in most of the studies conducted with the photogrammetry method, it is necessary to obtain images from different locations (ground and air) for accurate and complete data. Recently, the term Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) photogrammetry has emerged with the use of UAV in documentation studies. In this way, a complete model is created in the documentation studies to be performed by collecting data from both the ground and the air. In this study, three different data collection methods were used for documentation. Hybrid data collection approach, Terrestrial Laser Scanning (TLS) and Close-range Photogrammetry (CrP), and UAV photogrammetry techniques are selected and presented. Finally, three-dimensional (3D) data of Soli-Pompeopolis were created by combining these point clouds.

Kültürel Miras için Hibrit Veri Toplama Tekniğinin Kullanılması: Pompeiopolis Örneği

Anahtar Kelimeler

YLT
İHA
Fotogrametri
Yersel Fotogrametri
Hibrit

ÖZET

Kültürel mirasın farklı yöntemlerle belgelenmesi konusunda çeşitli çalışmalar yapılmıştır. Çalışmalarda kullanılacak yöntemin seçimi kadar doğru veri toplama yöntemi de önemlidir. Dokümantasyon çalışmaları, veri toplama yönteminden çok, zamandan ve maliyetten tasarruf etmeye odaklanır. Ancak, doğru ve eksiksiz verilerin elde edilmesi dokümantasyon çalışmasının doğruluğunu artıracaktır. Bu noktada fotogrametri gibi görüntü temelli dokümantasyon çalışmaları operatörlere önemli katkılar sağlamaktadır. Fotogrametri yöntemi ile yapılan çalışmaların çoğunda tek bir veri toplama aracı tercih edilmekle birlikte, doğru ve eksiksiz veri için farklı lokasyonlardan (yer ve hava) görüntü elde edilmesi gerekmektedir. Son zamanlarda İnsansız Hava Araçlarının (İHA) dokümantasyon çalışmalarında kullanılmasıyla İHA fotogrametrisi terimi ortaya çıkmıştır. Böylelikle hem yerden hem de havadan veriler toplanarak yapılacak dokümantasyon çalışmalarında eksiksiz bir model oluşturulur. Bu çalışmada dokümantasyon için üç farklı veri toplama yöntemi kullanılmıştır. Hibrit veri toplama yaklaşımı, Yersel Lazer Tarama (YLT), Yersel Fotogrametrisi ve (İHA) fotogrametrisi teknikleri seçilerek sunulmuştur. Son olarak, bu nokta bulutları birleştirilerek Soli-Pompeopolis'in üç boyutlu (3B) verileri oluşturulmuştur.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Cultural structures are damaged over time due to natural or unnatural reasons. Besides, archaeological sites are also affected by this situation, as well as the destruction of the structure. The restoration, restitution, and excavation works of the destructions that have occurred contribute to the correct research and transfer of the artifacts or archaeological sites. The first step in the work to be done in an artifact or archaeological site is documentation studies (Unger et al., 2014; Rinaudo et al., 2012; Alshwabkeh et al., 2020; Şenol et al., 2020).

Various studies are carried out on documentation studies using different methods (Aragon et al., 2018; Wilson et al., 2018). Ulvi et al. (2020) classified the documentation of cultural heritage into two titles as traditional and advanced methods. They included TLS, CrP, and UAV photogrammetry, which also includes the subject of this study, in advanced methods (Şenol et al., 2017; Messaoudi et al., 2018; Xiao et al., 2018).

The photogrammetric method is one of the most often used techniques in documentation studies. The photogrammetric method is more efficient than traditional methods, 25 times more advantageous in terms of graphics, and 10 times more accurate in terms of accuracy (Şanlığolu, 2013; Yakar et al., 2016; Ulvi & Yiğit, 2019; Şenol & Kaya, 2019; Ulvi et al., 2019; Alptekin & Yakar, 2020). In addition, Yakar et. al 2015; Ulukavak et al., 2019) stated that the photogrammetry technique saves time and cost compared to traditional documentation techniques. Especially in documentation studies, it is desired to save time and cost in collecting data (Çelik et Al., 2020; Yakar et al., 2021). However, while trying to save cost and time, choosing the wrong data collection method can push the operator to collect incomplete data. Collect complete data is an important factor in method selection. For this reason, several data collection methods should be used to collect all data belonging to the study area. Therefore, in the study, data were collected using TLS, CrP, and UAV photogrammetry methods, which are among the modern methods (Assali et al., 2014; Aicardi et al., 2016; Liang et al., 2018).

The use of a single method in modeling complex structures, especially in the photogrammetry technique, in the documentation of cultural heritage does not allow accurate and complete documentation (Yiğit et al., 2020). Because, with terrestrial systems (TLS and CrP), the data of the bottom part of the structure can be taken, but the top of the structure cannot be collected (Ulvi & Yiğit, 2020a). The data deficiency arising from this situation can be overcome by changing the location where the device is installed or by using another data collection tool to collect the data of the upper fronts. UAVs, which have been used by many disciplines in recent years, have been integrated into this area and this problem has been overcome.

In this study, TLS, CrP, and UAV photogrammetry techniques, which are among the modern data collection and documentation techniques, were used. The hybrid data collection deal is presented by selecting laser scanning (TLS) (Figure2) and Close-range photogrammetry (CrP) (Figure 3) and UAV photogrammetry techniques (Figure 4). An accurate and dense set of 3D points belonging to all facets of the

structure was acquired with hybrid data collection techniques. The TLS, CrP, and UAV photogrammetry techniques used in the study were processed separately and the accuracy of 0,4-1,1-1,3 cm was calculated respectively. Finally, a three-dimensional (3D) data of Soli-Pompeipolis were created by combining these point clouds.

2. METHOD

TLS method, CrP, and UAV photogrammetry are frequently used in 3D modeling of historical and cultural sites (Beraldin, 2004; Gašparović & Malarić, 2012; Jo & Kim 2017; Kaya et al., 2019). However, in some areas, it becomes necessary to use both laser scanning, CrP, and UAV photogrammetry, both the height and the shape of the structures and areas (Chiabrando et al., 2017; Ulvi & Yiğit, 2020b; Yiğit & Uysal, 2020). Because the high columns in the historical area caused laser beams to be invisible. The existence of archaeological excavations in some parts of the region made it difficult to install a laser scanning device. Thus, CrP and UAV photogrammetry method is used in places where laser beams cannot be seen. In this study, the TLS method, CrP, and UAV photogrammetry were used in a hybrid the way that.

2.1. Study Area

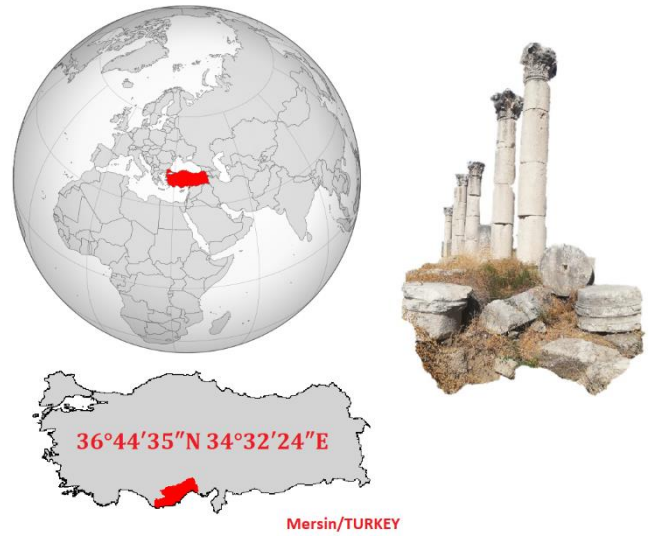


Figure 1. Study Area

Soli Pompeopolis located in Mersin / Turkey (Figure 1), is one of the most important ruins of the province where it is located. It is a large site with an ancient harbor (URL-1). According to the archaeological excavations started in 1999: BC. It has been among the important port cities of the Eastern Mediterranean since 2000. There are 49 columns on the site and the columns are in a complex structure with Corinthian type capitals (URL-2).

2.2. Data Acquisition, Field-Work, and Office-Work

In the documentation made in the study, data were collected using TLS, CrP, and UAV photogrammetry techniques. For TLS, CrP, and UAV, respectively; Faro FocusS 350 - Nikon D300 - Anafi Parrot devices are used.



Figure 2: Terrestrial Laser Scanning (TLS) technique

Scans were made at 49 different station points determined in the study area. The number and location of the station points have been determined in a way that the area to be scanned can see one or more areas.



Figure 3: UAV Photogrammetry



Figure 4: CrP Photogrammetry

Overlapping photographs were taken for CrP and UAV photogrammetry. For CrP 326 image data were collected for 78 UAV. Photo data were collected manually for CrP and automatically for UAV. Also, with Total-stations, target, and characteristic details were measured to transfer the result products created from different data collection methods both for registration and to the same scale and coordinate system.

In the process of data processing, firstly, pre-processing was performed for all data collection techniques. The data taken from the TLS method were transferred to the JRC 3D Reconstructor software.

After the created data, a point cloud was produced by geo-referencing. Data from CrP and UAV were also combined in the Context Capture software. The CrP, UAV photogrammetry and TLS techniques used in the study were processed separately and the accuracy of 1,3-1,1-0,4 cm was calculated respectively. The data obtained from CrP and UAV photogrammetry method and the data obtained from TLS were combined in the same coordinate system in the JRC 3D Reconstructor software in a hybrid way. The methods used in the study and the chart of work-flow are given in Figure 5.

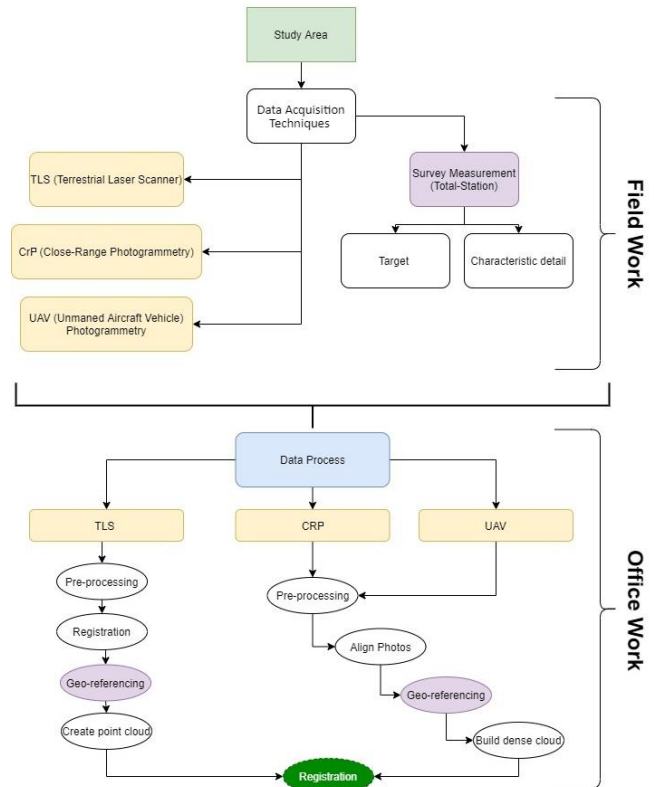


Figure 5: Workflow Chart

The mean error of the combined data from these techniques was calculated as ± 0.97 cm. Finally, a 3D model of Soli-Pompeipolis was created by combining these point clouds.

Created point cloud and mesh model are given in Figure 6 and Figure 7.



Figure 6: The resulting dense point clouds.



Figure 7: The resulting mesh model

3. DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

TLS, CrP, and UAV photogrammetry often have been used. By using these techniques together, complete data of the study area can be collected. In the study, while evaluating the data obtained from all systems (TLS, UAV, and CrP), the advantages and disadvantages of the systems were also examined. In this study; Fast, high quality and resolution data can be collected at close-range with the TLS method. However, this method has two disadvantages due to its cost and data collection. Although the CrP method saves time and is a low-cost data collection method, it has a disadvantage due to its data collection and not being able to be used effectively in large areas.

Firstly, it has yielded quite successful results in 3D modeling in all systems. However, with the UAV system, the data required for 3D modeling can be obtained faster and the data are processed faster. UAV photogrammetry has an advantage in terms of aerial data collection and cost, but it is affected by weather conditions and is not used in every area (prohibited area). In the scanning process with the lidar scanner, there were some deficiencies in the joints of the columns and the upper parts of the structures due to the measurement principle of the TLS system. In such cases, it is necessary to install the TLS system in line with the object to be scanned as possible or a little higher. Therefore, the working area was scanned using the maximum viewing angle that can

be taken from the ground. On the other hand, the missing parts of the TLS system were successfully measured in this system, provided that the UAV system was scanned from the top and taking an oblique image on the lateral surfaces. However, CrP technique was used to obtain detailed lateral surfaces of the remains. For this reason, the hybrid method should be used as these methods are insufficient. Thus, a complete document belonging to the study area has been created. The historical work of this document; It is anticipated that it will contribute to the transmission, preservation, documentation, and management of future generations.

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